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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos

Part B for April 42

SUBJECT

Reduction of hydels and increase of royalty – B city mills

To,

The Md Commr B city
L 9537/8 4 42

Fds a copy of g.o issued in the matter —— for information

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Serial No 16

From the Ml Commr, Bdg, thro PBs
No A3 762/41/42 Dy 18-2 42
Forwards a copy of the circular issued by the General Supdt Cauvery Power Scheme Blore in the matter of reducing the no of street lights & ornamental overhead lights & the increased royalty payable in this behalf

The Ml Commr reports that the number of lights have already been reduced as requested by the Gl Supdt, Cauvery power scheme and requests that the payment of enhanced royalty by the Mcty may be excused owing to the low financial condition of the mcty

The financial condition of the Bangalore city mcty is not a satisfactory one. Their request seem to be a reasonable one & may perhaps be viewed favourably

The secy to Govt, El Deptt may also be consulted in the first instance on the Resolution (Y) sent for orders

HB 21/2 Sh 22/2 With a view to enforce economy in the maintenance charges of street lighting on account of the present war situation, lighting on Mondays of the Supdt,

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Conservancy Surveyor Scheme has suggested to the Municipality the necessity of dividing connecting the lights to the extent of one-half of the present ways (2) Switching off of lights during moonlight nights (3) Enhancing the royalty on street lights to cover the increased cost of maintenance It has stated that there are 871 ornamental lights and 2450 ordinary lights on the city

On the above proposal, the Municipality resolved as follows:-

(1) This council resolves that the Govt be requested not to increase the present royalty and that as regards the reduction of lights, the reduction should be made in a manner not to inconvenience the public and a rebate should be given in respect of such reduction"

The Municipality has asked the above resolution for the orders of Govt

(2) At present royalty is being paid by the public at the rate of Rs 27/8/- p.a. on each ordinary light and of Rs 45/- in each ornamental light The further level to which the above royalty is proposed to be increased is not known

(3) Information is also required about the amount of royalty received by the Electrical Department from the Municipality and during

Reduction of lights — Increased Royalty — Bangalore case

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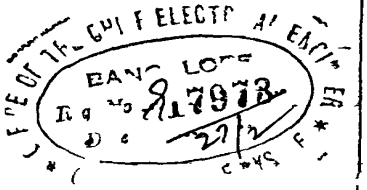

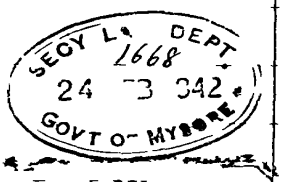

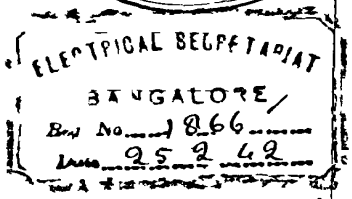

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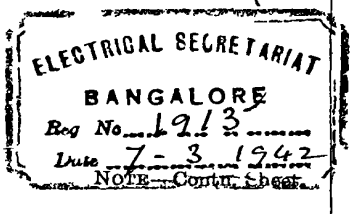

carrying the last five years as well as the terms of agreement entered into on this behalf by the Rly with the Deptt so far as the finances of the above case are concerned, they are not satisfactory and their request for a rebate — especially when the number of lights is reduced — seems to be a reasonable one

The Electrical Secrt may perhaps be consulted in the matter in the first instance on the above reduction & the other points raised above

Law Secy / for 23/2/42
for favour of remarks
Secy Elec
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for 25/2/42

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Genl Secrets CPS) 26/2/42

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Returned with Compliments
Kind reference is invited to this office letter # 3469 dt 24/2/42 on the Subject

4/3/42
Genl Secrets CPS

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Subject - Reduction of lights - Increase of Royalty - Bangalore City

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The letter dated the 24th February 1942 referred to by the General Supdt C P S overleaf relates to his recommendation for not raising the royalties on street lights for the present

This file has been submitted to the L S G by Minister on the 4th March 1942 after the orders of the Law Minister & Dewan accepting the recommendations of the General Supdt C P S The file has since been returned, with the approval of the L S G Minister to the proposal

D 13/3/42

Issue orders and enclose a copy in the file

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DD 8/3 - Dr 9/3/42

Orders have since been issued and communicated to the Comptroller through the Fin Secty and a copy of the same is herewith enclosed

DD 25/3/42 The file may be returned to Law Secy (C S G) for taking further action on the resolution of the Bangalore City M C Council Submitted for orders

GCG 25/3

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Law Secretary 4/c / Dr 25/3/42

Hm 27/3/42

27/3 Minister

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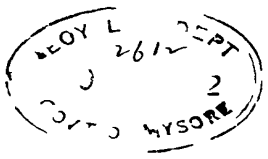

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for information
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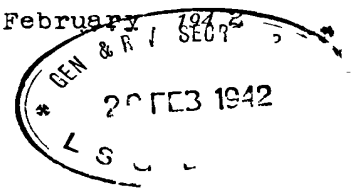

From

ABDUL AZIZ KHAN Esq B A
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER
BANGALORE CITY

H V Narayana Rao Esq ,B A ,LL B ,
SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE
LAW DEPARTMENT BANGALORE

SIR

With reference to Circular letter No 80 dated 2-1-1942 from the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme, a copy of which is enclosed for ready reference, in the matter of reduction of street lights and proposed enhanced royalty charges payable thereto, I have the honour to state that the subject was placed before the Municipal Council A copy of their resolution dated 4-2-1942 is herein enclosed In view of the financial stringency of this Municipality, I request that Government may be kindly moved to pass favourable orders thereon

It may be stated in this connection, that a number of ornamental street lights and illumination near the Central Market have been already disconnected and reduced respectively Further lights will be arranged to be disconnected in due course

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

Forwarded With Compliments

K Hanumanthaiya
Honorary President

A K Khan
Municipal Commissioner

Circular letter No 8[illegible] dated 2nd January 1942, from the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme, Bangalore, to the Commissioner, Municipal Council, Bangalore City

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Public Lighting (Street Lights)

I am directed to bring it to your notice that the cost of street light fittings, lamps, insulated wire,etc , required for maintaining continuous service on the street lights has gone up by leaps and bounds in some cases the prices are treble what they were before the war Further, considerable difficulty is being experienced in obtaining these materials due to the present international situation On account of the above reasons, it is necessary to reduce the number of lights and also the number of hours that each light burns so that the present stores and stock may last until the war is over and the citizens may not be inconvenienced by total failure of lighting It is also found necessary to enhance the royalties on the street lights to cover the increased cost of maintenance

2 In order to achieve the above objects and ensure continued lighting and avoid also increase in the payment now being made for royalty, it will be necessary to reduce the number of street lights by one half and to switch off lights during moonlight hours I would therefore request you to place the above facts before the local body and obtain their consent to the disconnection of street lights to the extent of one half of the present ones and to switching-off of lights during moonlight hours I am directing the Superintendent, Power and Lighting, of your Section to interview you personally or to send the senior operator and to note from you the particular street lights both overhead and ornamental which you would like to be disconnected in order to reduce the number as suggested above, so that he may take immediate action for disconnecting them from service Any delay in this will cause considerable inconvenience suddenly to your area

3 The Department feels extremely sorry to adopt the above procedure which is necessitated by the present international situation over which we have no control and request you earnestly to extend your assistance to tide over the present situation as smoothly as possible

4 You are also perhaps aware that Government are introducing A R P regulations in different areas and if the Police Authorities and the A R P Officers require at any time the entire public lighting system to be switched off, this will have to be adopted wherever necessary for the period required by the Officers referred to above in the interest of the safety of the towns and villages concerned

I shall be obliged for an acknowledgment of this letter and a line in reply to the action taken

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"C o p y"

Municipal Commissioner

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BANGALORE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL DATED 4-2-1942

Subject No 7

Consideration of the Circular from the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme, in the matter of reduction of lights and raising the royaltv on street lights during war period

Vide typed copy enclosed

Sd V Venkataswamy Chetty,
Vice [redacted] President

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C o p y"

Municipal Commissioner

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Proceedings of the Council meeting dated 4-?-42

Subject No 7

Some of the Members asked the Superintendent, to explain what was meant by royalty, whether it depended upon the cost price etc , and whether its fluctuations were due to increased cost of production etc The Superintendent explained to the House that Royalty was the price paid by the Municipality for services rendered, to see that a light burns for one year for a specified number of hours and that it was fixed after -- taking into consideration the cost of production, materials etc

The Superintendent further informed the House that the royalty does not entirely depend upon the number of lights but includes other items also, and as such, the reduction of lights ~~that~~ does not necessarily mean Reduction of royalty But he said that if any light does not burn for a full night, then they could claim reduction He also informed the -- House that there was no idea of increasing the royalty on house connections, and that the present reduction of lights and cutting off during moonlight hours was purely on - economic basis and had nothing to do with the Air Raid Precautions

Mr M K Narayana Iyengar observed that when the lights are cut off during moonlight hours, there is less consumption and so they should have some reduction

Mr V K Govindarajulu observed that the present rate of royalty was itself very heavy and that any further -- enhancement was really unbearable and also there was no justification for this increase, as the Department was already making a huge profit out of this concern

Mr G Nanjappa wanted to know if the Municipality was consulted before they switched off during moonlight hours and if not,

and if not, whether they were right in doing it without their consent, as the Municipality was paying them for services rendered and had also entered into an agreement with the Department in this behalf He also informed the Superintendent, that their calls for setting lights gone out of ordr, are not being attended to immediately and the Superintendent promised to look into the matter and set right matters

Mr M A Gopalaswami Iyengar observed that the Department was making a net profit of 9% according to their o n — statement and that it was not right for them to ehhance the royalty

Mr L S Raju next observed that the entire question may be divided into three heads, viz , Increase of royalty Switching off during moonlight hours and reduction of — lights As re Switching off during moonlight hours, he said that it was really regrettable that the Municipality, which is a purchaser of po er/under contract from the n — Department, should bave been ignored and not consulted before they took this measure, as they have entered into an agreemen with the Municipality to burn so many lights at such a rate and that they were entitled to this much of consideration at least at the hands of the Department

As, re the other two items, viz , enhancement of royalty and reduction of lights, he said that they had no justification for enhancing the rate as the present rate itself was high and also, as they were not going - purchasing any fresh stock at higher prices He finally moved the follo ing resolution :-

"This Council resolves that the Government be requested not to increase the present royality and that, as regards the reduction of lights, the reduction should be made in a manner not to in-convenience the public and a rebate should be given in respect of such reduction "

Mr V K Govindarajulu seconded the above and it was put

put to vote and passed unanimously

The Superintendent then pointed out that the resolution now passed did not contain anything re the number of lights that could be reduced and said that it was better if they agreed to the porposal of the Department, i e , to reduce by 50% He also informed the House that there were about 871 ornamental lights in the City and about 2450 ordinary lights, that they had already cut off about 106 ornamental lights under the control of the Gardens Department etc , abd that it is better if alternative lights are cut off Mr L S Raju replied that the removing of the lights was left to the discretion of the Superintendent, that this may be done without causing any inconvenience to the public and that for the present, they may reduce the ornamental lights by about 400 and cut off about 400 ordinary lights

Sd/- V Venkataswamy Ch
Vice-Hon. President

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Municipal Commissioner

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No.P3/41

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Special Meeting of the City Municipal Council, Bang-lore, held on Wednesday the 4th February 1942 at 5 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the City Municipal Offices, Bangalore

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Present

V Venkataswami Chetty,Esq.,
Vice-President

Messrs
1 V K Govindarajulu,B A ,B L
2 W H Hanumanthappa
3 R Subbanna
4 N. Kesaviengar,B A ,B L
5. Ramalal Thiwari
6 L S Raju,M A (Pons),B L
7 G Nanjappa
8 T Gangadharaswamy
9 B Narasimhiah
10 K Gangasetty
11 K N Ramaswami,B A
12. H R Guruv Reddy,B A.,LL B
13 M A Gopalaswami Iyengar,M A ,B L
14 M K Narayana Iyergar,B.A.,B L
15. V. Chikkayellappa

Absent

Messrs
1 V Venkataramanappa
2 K Hanumanthaiya,B A ,LL B
3 K Shamaraja Iyengar,B.A
4 M R Honnappa,B A ,B L
5 H.C Suryanarayana Rao
6 B Subbiah,B Sc.,LL B
7. Kota Kamakshiah Setty
8 O.S Nasarulla Sheriff,M A ,LL B
9. M Royan,L.P
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SUBJECT

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File No 114-41

Serial No 18

Diary No of letter replied to

No L 95-37 Ex are

To The Rev Commr, Bcafs: Hyd

Sir,

General and Revenue Secretariat

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With reference to your letter NO A3 762/41-42 Dt 8 2 42 in regard to ~~the matter of~~ the reduction of the street lights & the proposed enhanced royalty payable thereon by the city mcpl: Govt directed to forward for your information a copy of Govt NO EDS 2858-74 Dt 13-3 1942 issued by ~~the Secretary to~~ Govt, in the Edl Deptt in the matter of ~~the orders passed by the Govt's Resolution~~ of the Mcpl Hl. I have the Hon

Date of issue 8/4/42

Signed by

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List of enclosures

Copied by 7/4/42

Examined by

for Secretary to Govt

Rev Deptt

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

Industrial Department

Read —

G.O.No. Ind.1871 dated 26th November 1941 approving a circular to be issued by the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme to the Presidents of Municipal Councils and Village Panchayets, intimating them of the proposal to reduce the number of street lights by one half and to enhance the royalty on the reduced number of lights

...No. Ind.30 dated the 22nd January 1942 to the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme, returning duly approved another circular to be issued by him to the local bodies, intimating that the enhanced rate of royalty on street lights would come into effect from 1st January 1942 etc.

3. Letter No.3469 dated the 24th February 1942 from the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme recommending, under the circumstances reported, that the present rates of royalty on street lights - overhead and ornamental be continued and requesting early orders in the matter.

Order No. Ind.2858-74 Dated Bangalore, 13th March 1942

The General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme who was requested to report the result of the circulars issued by him, states that generally, the local bodies are not agreeable to pay the enhanced rate of royalty for the street lights that will be left in service and that most of them are agreed to the disconnection of a certain number of lights, though not equal to 50 per cent as contemplated in the circulars read above. He further states, in this connection, that the items in which increase in expenditure is likely to result may be set off against the saving to be effected by the reduced number of hours the street lights are allowed to burn. He therefore recommends that the present royalty on street lights, overhead and ornamental, be continued.

... Government consider it desirable to allow some relief to the Municipalities and Village Panchayets for lights removed, as they will also have to face financial difficulties and would require relief by this reduction in lighting charges. They accordingly agree that the existing rates of royalty on street lights be continued, as recommended by the General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Office.

3. It is hoped that the switching off of lights during moonlight hours will set off against the increased cost of carbon and other repairs and renewals, as the bulbs are expected to be used for double their normal period of life.

for Secretary to Government,
Electrical Department.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government.

The Law Secretary to Government.

The Development Secretary to Government.

The General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Office.

The Controller to the Government of Mysore (through the Chief Secretary to Government, with file and two spare copies)

The Chief Engineer of Mysore.

The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

The Accountant, Electrical Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

Read -

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(Sd) D.S Venkanna,

For Secretary to Government
Electrical Department

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
The Law Secretary to Government
The Development Secretary to Government
The General Superintendent, Cauvery Power Scheme
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The Auditor, Electrical Department